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In re Patent Application of)
Kambiz B. MAKOUI et al.)
Serial No. 08/733,072) Art Unit: 2854
Filed: October 16, 1996) Examiner: R. Yan
For: EMBOSsing SYSTEM)
INCLUDING SLEEVED ROLLS) Date: October 10, 2001

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to further examination of the subject CPA application, and in response to the Official Action dated October 11, 2000, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 11, 12, 42, 43, 62 and 63 in their entirety without prejudice nor disclaimer of the subject matter set forth therein.

Please amend claims 1, 33, 53, 75, 76 and 77 as follows: Please note that these claims are presented below in their amended form. They are further presented as an Attachment to the Amendment whereby the amendments to the claims are outlined using the conventional method of bracketing and underlining.

1. (Four Times Amended) In an embossing apparatus for embossing a substantially continuous web of sheet material, an embossing roll comprising: